GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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Tourism Potential of Arunachal Pradesh
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the Tourism potential of Arunachal Pradesh;
(b) if so, the details thereof, including the value of the projects undertaken by the Government during the last one year;
(c) whether any tourism projects are under consideration for development in the State; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. An Integrated Tourism Master Plan for North Eastern Region was prepared by Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) on the basis of a study commissioned by North East Council (NEC). Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for various tourism projects subject to availability of funds, liquidation of pending utilization certificates against the funds released earlier and adherence to the relevant scheme guidelines.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Tourism has already initiated a new scheme 'SWADESH DARSHAN' on specific themes and it has been decided to create tourist circuits around specific themes. The North East India Circuit is one of such theme. A project under this scheme "Integrated Development of Adventure Tourism in Arunachal Pradesh" has been sanctioned by this Ministry for Rs.97.14 crore in the year 2015-16.
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